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#### BEFORE THE VIRGINIA GAS AND OIL BOARD

SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER REGARDING DOCKET NO. VGOB-97-0916-0602 ELECTIONS, UNIT: AA-35 /AA-35B (herein "Subject Drilling Unit")

#### REPORT OF BOARD

#### **FINDINGS AND ORDER**

1. This Supplemental Order is entered by the Board sua sponte in the form authorized by the Board at its hearing held at 9:00 a.m. on September 16, 1997, Dickenson Conference Center, Southwest Virginia Education 4-H Center, Adingdon, Virginia, and pursuant to authority granted to the Board's Chairman at the hearing of the Virginia Gas and Oil Board on June 16, 1992, at 9:00 a.m. at the Rhododendron Restaurant at the Breaks Interstate Park, Breaks, Virginia; and this Supplemental Order is being recorded for the purpose of (1) complying with the requirements of § 7.C of the Virginia Gas and Oil Board Regulations, VR 480-05-22.2 by supplementing the Order previously issued by the Board for subject Docket on November 6, 1997 and recorded at Deed Book 470 Page 55 in the office of the Clerk of Garden District, Buchanan, County, Virginia on November 13, 1997 (herein "Board Order") to complete the record regarding elections. The Board Order pooled all interests in Subject Drilling Unit including those of the Respondents more particularly set forth and identified by the Designated Operator in the affidavits attached hereto and made a part hereof. The Board finds it has jurisdiction over the subject matter pursuant to the provisions of the Virginia Gas and Oil Act, § 45.1-361.1 et seq., Virginia Code, 1950 as amended.

#### 2. Findings: The Board finds that:

- (a). The Board Order directed Pocahontas Gas Partnership, (herein the "Designated Operator"), to mail copies of the Board Order to all Respondents whose interests, if any, were pooled by said Board Order;
- (b). The Designated Operator filed its affidavit of mailing disclosing that it had mailed a true and correct copy of the Board's Order to all Respondents whose interests, if any, were pooled by said Board Order;
- (c). The Board Order required each Respondent whose interests, if any, were pooled by the terms of said Board Order to make his or her election within thirty (30) days after the date of mailing or recording, as applicable, of said Order; the Designated Operator has filed its affidavit in accordance with § 7.c of the Virginia Gas and Oil Board Regulations and VR 480-05-22.2 (herein "Affidavit of Election"), wherein it has, for each Respondent whose interests, if any, were pooled by said Board Order, stated: (i) whether each Respondent has made or failed to make a timely election; (ii) the nature of the election made, if any; (iii) whether, by reason of a failure to elect or to timely elect one or more Respondents are deemed, under the terms of the Board's Order, to have leased all their rights, title, interests, estates and claims in Subject Drilling Unit to the Designated Operator;
- (d). The Board Order further required the Designated Operator, after expiration of the election period, to file with the Board a statement of the interests subject to escrow under the terms and provisions of the Board Order, in light of the elections made or deemed to have been made (herein "Statement of Interests"); that the Designated Operator furnished said Statement of Interests as part of its Affidavit of Election. A copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A.
- (e). Current Board standards requiring the escrow of funds and the Board's agreement with its Escrow Agent, First Virginia Bank Mountain Empire c/o Trust Department, P.O. Box 1038, Abingdon, VA 24210, or any successor named by the Board, require the entry of a Supplemental Order establishing of record the elections made or deemed to have been made and specifying the sums or percentage thereof subject to escrow.

- Order: By this Order, the Board orders the Designated Operator to tender, consistent with and in accordance with the findings set forth at paragraph 2. above and the annexed Affidavits, any funds subject to escrow and instructs the Escrow Agent, First Virginia Bank - Mountain Empire c/o Trust Department, P.O. Box 1038, Abingdon, VA 24210, or any successor named by the Board to establish interest-bearing escrow account(s), IRS Tax Identification Number 54-1629506, in accordance with the information set forth in said Affidavits to receive such funds and account to the Board therefore.
- Mailing of Order and Filing of Affidavit: The Designated Operator under the captioned Order or its Attorney shall file an affidavit with the Secretary of the Board within ten (10) days after the date of receipt of this Order stating that a true and correct copy of this Order was mailed within seven (7) days from the date of receipt of this Order to each person whose interest or claim is subject to escrow and whose address is known.
- 5. Conclusion: Therefore, the findings and all terms and provisions set forth above be and hereby are granted and IT IS SO ORDERED.
  - 6. Effective Date: This Order shall be effective on the date of its execution.

Oil Board.

DONE AND PERFORMED THIS 22 nd

day of Mul, 1998, by Order of this Board.

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STATE OF VIRGINIA) COUNTY OF WISE )

Acknowledged on this <u>//o th</u> day of <u>//pirl</u>, 1998, personally before me a notary public in and for the Commonwealth of Virginia, appeared Benny Wampler, being duly sworn did depose and say that he is Chairman of the Virginia Gas and Oil Board, that he executed the same and was authorized to do so.

Notary Public

My commission expires

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#### Exhibit A

#### BEFORE THE VIRGINIA GAS AND OIL BOARD

IN RE:

Application of Pocahontas Gas Partnership, Inc. for Forced Pooling of Interests in Unit Number AA-35, VGOB Docket No. 97-0916-0602 in the Garden District of Buchanan County, Virginia

AFFIDAVIT OF POCAHONTAS GAS PARTNERSHIP (herein "Designated Operator") REGARDING ELECTIONS, ESCROW AND SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER

Leslie K. Arrington (herein Affiant), being first duly sworn on oath, deposes and says:

- 1. That your Affiant is employed by Consol, Inc. and assigned to Pocahontas Gas Partnership, the Designated Operator, at its office located at P.O. Box 947 Bluefield, VA 24605, that your Affiant is the Designated Operator's Permit Specialist, and is authorized to give this Affidavit in its behalf;
- 2. That the Order entered on November 6, 1997, by the Virginia Gas and Oil Board regarding the captioned CBM Unit required the Applicant to mail a true and correct copy of said Order to each person pooled by said Order;
- 3. That within seven (7) days of the receipt of an executed copy of the Order referred to at Paragraph 2. above, your Affiant caused a true and correct copy of said Order to be mailed via the United States Postal Service to each Respondent named in the captioned Application, whose address was known, and to all persons, if any, who were added as Respondents at the hearing held in the captioned matter; that annexed hereto and incorporated herein are copies of the letters of transmittal, receipts for certified mail, and return receipts pertaining to said mailing;
- 4. That the Order of the Virginia Gas and Oil Board in the captioned matter required all persons pooled thereby to tender their written elections to the Unit Operator within thirty (30) days of the date said Order was recorded in the county above named; that said Order was recorded on November 13, 1997.
- 5. That the Designated Operator, Consol, Inc., has established procedures to review all mail received and all written documents received by means other than by mail to ascertain whether parties whose interests have been pooled have made a written election, in a timely fashion, as required by the captioned Order; that said procedures were followed to identify the elections, if any, made with regard to Subject Unit; that the following persons delivered, by mail or otherwise, written elections to the Unit Operator, within the thirty day election period:

None.

6. That the interests and/or claims of the following persons (who made timely elections, or who are deemed under the terms of the Board's Order to have leased, or who, subsequent to the pooling hearing held in the captioned matter, have leased or otherwise entered into an agreement with the Designated Operator are subject to escrow under the Board's Order pooling the captioned Unit, Board Regulations and the Code of Virginia;

### See attachment identified as Exhibit E

7. That after the pooling hearing held in the captioned matter, the following persons have leased or entered into a voluntary agreement with the Designated Operator with regard to their interests and/or claims which are not subject to escrow and should, therefore, be dismissed as Respondents:

None.

	8.	That pursuant to the provisions of VR 480-05-22.27.C and VR 480-05-22.2.8, annexed hereto as	nd
incor	porated	d herein is a proposed supplemental order to be entered to complete the record regarding elections; (S	
Exhib	it " B-3"	3" that said annexed supplemental order sets forth and identifies the conflicting claims and/or interests which	ch
requir	re escro	row of funds pursuant to the terms of §§ 45.1-361.21.D, 45.1-361.22.A.3 and 4.; (See Exhibit "E").	

Dated at Bluefield, Virginia, this 3RD day of February, 1998.

Luslie X. (Lunder Affiant)

Taken, subscribed and sworn to before me by Leslie K. Arrington, the Permit Specialist, of Consol, Inc., a corporation, on behalf of the corporation, this 3 day of February, 1998.

My commission expires: 3/31/62

Lynny R and
Notary

Exhibit B-3 Unit AA-35 Docket No. VGOB-97-09-16-0602 List of Unleased Owners/Claimants

Division of Interest in

Net Acres Interest in 13-East 14-East 15-East
in Unit Unit 11.41126% 21.13432% 0.85424% Election

I. OIL & GAS FEE OWNERSHIP

TRACT #1 - 21.56 acres

(1) Charles Davidson HC 62, Box 72 Raven, VA 24639

21.56 acres

26.95000%

3.07533%

5.69570%

0.23022% Deemed Leased

#### Exhibit E Unit AA-35

#### Docket No. VGOB-97-09-16-0602 List of Conflicting Owners/Claimants that require escrow

				Division of Interest in		
		Net Acres in Unit	Interest in Unit	13-East 11.41126%	14-East 21.13432%	15-East 0.85424%
TRACT #1	- 21.56 acres					
COA	FEE OWNERSHIP					
(1)	Coal Mountain Mining Co. Tr 11 Coal Mountain Trust P.O. Box 675 Tazewell, VA 24651	21.56 acres	26.95000%	3.07533%	5.69570%	0.23022%
OIL	& GAS FEE OWNERSHIP					
(1)	Charles Davidson HC 62, Box 72 Raven, VA 24639	21.56 acres	26.95000%	3.07533%	5.69570%	0.23022%

VIRGINIA: In the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Buchanan County. The foregoing instrument was this day presented in the office aforesaid and is together with the certificate of acknowledgment annexed, admitted to record this alog of M. Deed Book No. A and Page No. TESTE: James M. Bevins, Jr., Clerk Returned this date to; TESTE: July 5. Jille Deputy Clerk